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Millionaire Vlastimil Koubek. the architect of three new luxury hotels — the remodeled Willard. the Westin and the Sheraton Grand — was on the private citizens' panel sent by Congress to five foreign capitals to examine the housing of our State Department, CIA, VOA, etc., employees. They went to Nairobi, Khartoum, Athens, Rome and Belgrade to see if the housing was appropriate and economical, or if it should be upgraded or vacated. They then drew up a voluminous report for the two congressional foreign affairs commit-

In general they were satisfied with the abodes of our Foreign Service types, but one wife of a CIA agent wasn't. Considering the importance of her husband's work in one of those capitals, she thought they definitely rated something better. But the poor dear was turned down because her housing

was commensurate with the job her husband was SUPPOSED to be doing in that country. C'est la vie.